

17th June 2019

Dear Parents,

Year 5/6 Summer Term PHSE

This term some of the PHSE (Personal Social and Health Education) for the older children is on the theme of transition, preparing them for moving into their new classes or schools.

Within this topic, aspects of the school's Personal and Social Education Programmes on Sex Education will be taught in line with the policies agreed by the School Governors and the National Curriculum programmes of study.

Children will not cover anything to do with sexual relationships or reproduction, as these areas are covered at secondary school.

All the Year 5/6 pupils will watch a schools' specific DVD clip called "Changes" which covers puberty and adolescence. The Channel 4 DVD called *All about us: Living and Growing* deals with "changes" to a child's body when he or she goes through puberty. This is in line with the Key Stage 2 programme of Study for Science.

There are also DVD clips called "Girl's Talk" and "Boys Talk" which will be watched by boys and girls separately in Year 6 only. These will explain some of the issues in more detail that only affects boys or girls during puberty. A female and male school nurse will be coming to school to talk about puberty with Year 6 boys and girls separately.

Children's questions will be answered honestly on issues relevant to the topic and at staff discretion.

I am writing to inform you of this coming piece of work to give you the opportunity to discuss these issues with your child as you feel appropriate.

Please do not hesitate to contact either myself or one of the Year 5/6 teachers if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. K. Wheeler

Head of school

